

SENATE BILL No. 604

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 25-1; IC 25-14.6.

Synopsis: Licensing of electricians. Establishes: (1) the electrical industry licensing board; (2) licensing requirements for electrical contractors; and (3) the electrical industry licensing board fund. Appropriates to the electrical industry licensing board an amount sufficient to fund the licensing and regulation of electrical contractors.

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SENATE BILL No. 604

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning professions and occupations and to make an appropriation.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

1 SECTION 1. IC 25-1-2-2.1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
2 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2005]: Sec. 2.1. Rather than being
3 issued annually, the following permits, licenses, certificates of
4 registration, or evidences of authority granted by a state agency must
5 be issued for a period of two (2) years or for the period specified in the
6 article under which the permit, license, certificate of registration, or
7 evidence of authority is issued if the period specified in the article is
8 longer than two (2) years:

- 9 (1) Certified public accountants, public accountants, and
10 accounting practitioners.
11 (2) Architects and landscape architects.
12 (3) Dry cleaners.
13 (4) Professional engineers.
14 (5) Land surveyors.
15 (6) Real estate brokers.
16 (7) Real estate agents.
17 (8) Security dealers' licenses issued by the securities



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- commissioner.
- (9) Dental hygienists.
- (10) Dentists.
- (11) Veterinarians.
- (12) Physicians.
- (13) Chiropractors.
- (14) Physical therapists.
- (15) Optometrists.
- (16) Pharmacists and assistants, drugstores or pharmacies.
- (17) Motels and mobile home park licenses.
- (18) Nurses.
- (19) Podiatrists.
- (20) Occupational therapists and occupational therapy assistants.
- (21) Respiratory care practitioners.
- (22) Social workers, marriage and family therapists, and mental health counselors.
- (23) Real estate appraiser licenses and certificates issued by the real estate appraiser licensure and certification board.
- (24) Wholesale legend drug distributors.
- (25) Physician assistants.
- (26) Dietitians.
- (27) Hypnotists.
- (28) Athlete agents.
- (29) Manufactured home installers.
- (30) Home inspectors.

(31) Electrical contractors.

SECTION 2. IC 25-1-2-6 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2005]: Sec. 6. (a) As used in this section, "license" includes all occupational and professional licenses, registrations, permits, and certificates issued under the Indiana Code, and "licensee" includes all occupational and professional licensees, registrants, permittees, and certificate holders regulated under the Indiana Code.

(b) This section applies to the following entities that regulate occupations or professions under the Indiana Code:

- (1) Indiana board of accountancy.
- (2) Indiana grain buyers and warehouse licensing agency.
- (3) Indiana auctioneer commission.
- (4) Board of registration for architects and landscape architects.
- (5) State board of barber examiners.
- (6) State board of cosmetology examiners.
- (7) Medical licensing board of Indiana.

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- (8) Secretary of state.
- (9) State board of dentistry.
- (10) State board of funeral and cemetery service.
- (11) Worker's compensation board of Indiana.
- (12) Indiana state board of health facility administrators.
- (13) Committee of hearing aid dealer examiners.
- (14) Indiana state board of nursing.
- (15) Indiana optometry board.
- (16) Indiana board of pharmacy.
- (17) Indiana plumbing commission.
- (18) Board of podiatric medicine.
- (19) Private detectives licensing board.
- (20) State board of registration for professional engineers.
- (21) Board of environmental health specialists.
- (22) State psychology board.
- (23) Indiana real estate commission.
- (24) Speech-language pathology and audiology board.
- (25) Department of natural resources.
- (26) State boxing commission.
- (27) Board of chiropractic examiners.
- (28) Mining board.
- (29) Indiana board of veterinary medical examiners.
- (30) State department of health.
- (31) Indiana physical therapy committee.
- (32) Respiratory care committee.
- (33) Occupational therapy committee.
- (34) Social worker, marriage and family therapist, and mental health counselor board.
- (35) Real estate appraiser licensure and certification board.
- (36) State board of registration for land surveyors.
- (37) Physician assistant committee.
- (38) Indiana dietitians certification board.
- (39) Indiana hypnotist committee.
- (40) Attorney general (only for the regulation of athlete agents).
- (41) Manufactured home installer licensing board.
- (42) Home inspectors licensing board.
- (43) Electrical industry licensing board.**
- ~~(43)~~ **(44)** Any other occupational or professional agency created after June 30, 1981.
- (c) Notwithstanding any other law, the entities included in subsection (b) shall send a notice of the upcoming expiration of a license to each licensee at least sixty (60) days prior to the expiration

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of the license. The notice must inform the licensee of the need to renew and the requirement of payment of the renewal fee. If this notice of expiration is not sent by the entity, the licensee is not subject to a sanction for failure to renew if, once notice is received from the entity, the license is renewed within forty-five (45) days of the receipt of the notice.

SECTION 3. IC 25-1-6-3 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2005]: Sec. 3. (a) There is established the Indiana professional licensing agency. The licensing agency shall perform all administrative functions, duties, and responsibilities assigned by law or rule to the executive director, secretary, or other statutory administrator of the following:

- (1) Indiana board of accountancy (IC 25-2.1-2-1).
- (2) Board of registration for architects and landscape architects (IC 25-4-1-2).
- (3) Indiana auctioneer commission (IC 25-6.1-2-1).
- (4) State board of barber examiners (IC 25-7-5-1).
- (5) State boxing commission (IC 25-9-1).
- (6) State board of cosmetology examiners (IC 25-8-3-1).
- (7) State board of funeral and cemetery service (IC 25-15-9).
- (8) State board of registration for professional engineers (IC 25-31-1-3).
- (9) Indiana plumbing commission (IC 25-28.5-1-3).
- (10) Indiana real estate commission (IC 25-34.1).
- (11) Real estate appraiser licensure and certification board (IC 25-34.1-8-1).
- (12) Private detectives licensing board (IC 25-30-1-5.1).
- (13) State board of registration for land surveyors (IC 25-21.5-2-1).
- (14) Manufactured home installer licensing board (IC 25-23.7).
- (15) Home inspectors licensing board (IC 25-20.2-3-1).

(16) Electrical industry licensing board (IC 25-14.6-2).

(b) Except for appeals of denials of license renewals to the executive director authorized by section 5.5 of this chapter, nothing in this chapter may be construed to give the licensing agency policy making authority, which remains with each board.

SECTION 4. IC 25-1-7-1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2005]: Sec. 1. As used in this chapter:

"Board" means the appropriate agency listed in the definition of regulated occupation in this section.

"Director" refers to the director of the division of consumer protection.

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1 "Division" refers to the division of consumer protection, office of
2 the attorney general.

3 "Licensee" means a person who is:

- 4 (1) licensed, certified, or registered by a board listed in this
- 5 section; and
- 6 (2) the subject of a complaint filed with the division.

7 "Person" means an individual, a partnership, a limited liability
8 company, or a corporation.

9 "Regulated occupation" means an occupation in which a person is
10 licensed, certified, or registered by one (1) of the following:

- 11 (1) Indiana board of accountancy (IC 25-2.1-2-1).
- 12 (2) Board of registration for architects and landscape architects
- 13 (IC 25-4-1-2).
- 14 (3) Indiana auctioneer commission (IC 25-6.1-2-1).
- 15 (4) State board of barber examiners (IC 25-7-5-1).
- 16 (5) State boxing commission (IC 25-9-1).
- 17 (6) Board of chiropractic examiners (IC 25-10-1).
- 18 (7) State board of cosmetology examiners (IC 25-8-3-1).
- 19 (8) State board of dentistry (IC 25-14-1).
- 20 (9) State board of funeral and cemetery service (IC 25-15-9).
- 21 (10) State board of registration for professional engineers
- 22 (IC 25-31-1-3).
- 23 (11) Indiana state board of health facility administrators
- 24 (IC 25-19-1).
- 25 (12) Medical licensing board of Indiana (IC 25-22.5-2).
- 26 (13) Indiana state board of nursing (IC 25-23-1).
- 27 (14) Indiana optometry board (IC 25-24).
- 28 (15) Indiana board of pharmacy (IC 25-26).
- 29 (16) Indiana plumbing commission (IC 25-28.5-1-3).
- 30 (17) Board of podiatric medicine (IC 25-29-2-1).
- 31 (18) Board of environmental health specialists (IC 25-32-1).
- 32 (19) State psychology board (IC 25-33).
- 33 (20) Speech-language pathology and audiology board
- 34 (IC 25-35.6-2).
- 35 (21) Indiana real estate commission (IC 25-34.1-2).
- 36 (22) Indiana board of veterinary medical examiners (IC 15-5-1.1).
- 37 (23) Department of natural resources for purposes of licensing
- 38 water well drillers under IC 25-39-3.
- 39 (24) Respiratory care committee (IC 25-34.5).
- 40 (25) Private detectives licensing board (IC 25-30-1-5.1).
- 41 (26) Occupational therapy committee (IC 25-23.5).
- 42 (27) Social worker, marriage and family therapist, and mental

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health counselor board (IC 25-23.6).

(28) Real estate appraiser licensure and certification board (IC 25-34.1-8).

(29) State board of registration for land surveyors (IC 25-21.5-2-1).

(30) Physician assistant committee (IC 25-27.5).

(31) Indiana athletic trainers board (IC 25-5.1-2-1).

(32) Indiana dietitians certification board (IC 25-14.5-2-1).

(33) Indiana hypnotist committee (IC 25-20.5-1-7).

(34) Indiana physical therapy committee (IC 25-27).

(35) Manufactured home installer licensing board (IC 25-23.7).

(36) Home inspectors licensing board (IC 25-20.2-3-1).

(37) Electrical industry licensing board (IC 25-14.6-2).

~~(37)~~ **(38)** Any other occupational or professional agency created after June 30, 1981.

SECTION 5. IC 25-1-8-1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2005]: Sec. 1. As used in this chapter, "board" means any of the following:

(1) Indiana board of accountancy (IC 25-2.1-2-1).

(2) Board of registration for architects and landscape architects (IC 25-4-1-2).

(3) Indiana auctioneer commission (IC 25-6.1-2-1).

(4) State board of barber examiners (IC 25-7-5-1).

(5) State boxing commission (IC 25-9-1).

(6) Board of chiropractic examiners (IC 25-10-1).

(7) State board of cosmetology examiners (IC 25-8-3-1).

(8) State board of dentistry (IC 25-14-1).

(9) State board of funeral and cemetery service (IC 25-15).

(10) State board of registration for professional engineers (IC 25-31-1-3).

(11) Indiana state board of health facility administrators (IC 25-19-1).

(12) Medical licensing board of Indiana (IC 25-22.5-2).

(13) Mining board (IC 22-10-1.5-2).

(14) Indiana state board of nursing (IC 25-23-1).

(15) Indiana optometry board (IC 25-24).

(16) Indiana board of pharmacy (IC 25-26).

(17) Indiana plumbing commission (IC 25-28.5-1-3).

(18) Board of environmental health specialists (IC 25-32-1).

(19) State psychology board (IC 25-33).

(20) Speech-language pathology and audiology board (IC 25-35.6-2).

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- 1 (21) Indiana real estate commission (IC 25-34.1-2-1).
- 2 (22) Indiana board of veterinary medical examiners
- 3 (IC 15-5-1.1-3).
- 4 (23) Department of insurance (IC 27-1).
- 5 (24) State police department (IC 10-11-2-4), for purposes of
- 6 certifying polygraph examiners under IC 25-30-2.
- 7 (25) Department of natural resources for purposes of licensing
- 8 water well drillers under IC 25-39-3.
- 9 (26) Private detectives licensing board (IC 25-30-1-5.1).
- 10 (27) Occupational therapy committee (IC 25-23.5-2-1).
- 11 (28) Social worker, marriage and family therapist, and mental
- 12 health counselor board (IC 25-23.6-2-1).
- 13 (29) Real estate appraiser licensure and certification board
- 14 (IC 25-34.1-8).
- 15 (30) State board of registration for land surveyors
- 16 (IC 25-21.5-2-1).
- 17 (31) Physician assistant committee (IC 25-27.5).
- 18 (32) Indiana athletic trainers board (IC 25-5.1-2-1).
- 19 (33) Board of podiatric medicine (IC 25-29-2-1).
- 20 (34) Indiana dietitians certification board (IC 25-14.5-2-1).
- 21 (35) Indiana physical therapy committee (IC 25-27).
- 22 (36) Manufactured home installer licensing board (IC 25-23.7).
- 23 (37) Home inspectors licensing board (IC 25-20.2-3-1).
- 24 **(38) Electrical industry licensing board (IC 25-14.6-2).**
- 25 ~~(38)~~ **(39)** Any other occupational or professional agency created
- 26 after June 30, 1981.
- 27 SECTION 6. IC 25-1-11-1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
- 28 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2005]: Sec. 1. As used in this
- 29 chapter, "board" means any of the following:
- 30 (1) Indiana board of accountancy (IC 25-2.1-2-1).
- 31 (2) Board of registration for architects and landscape architects
- 32 (IC 25-4-1-2).
- 33 (3) Indiana auctioneer commission (IC 25-6.1-2).
- 34 (4) State board of barber examiners (IC 25-7-5-1).
- 35 (5) State boxing commission (IC 25-9-1).
- 36 (6) State board of cosmetology examiners (IC 25-8-3-1).
- 37 (7) State board of registration of land surveyors (IC 25-21.5-2-1).
- 38 (8) State board of funeral and cemetery service (IC 25-15-9).
- 39 (9) State board of registration for professional engineers
- 40 (IC 25-31-1-3).
- 41 (10) Indiana plumbing commission (IC 25-28.5-1-3).
- 42 (11) Indiana real estate commission (IC 25-34.1-2-1).

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(12) Real estate appraiser licensure certification board
(IC 25-34.1-8).

(13) Private detectives licensing board (IC 25-30-1-5.1).

(14) Manufactured home installer licensing board (IC 25-23.7).

(15) Home inspectors licensing board (IC 25-20.2-3-1).

(16) Electrical industry licensing board (IC 25-14.6-2).

SECTION 7. IC 25-14.6 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS
A NEW ARTICLE TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1,
2005]:

ARTICLE 14.6. ELECTRICIANS

Chapter 1. Definitions

Sec. 1. The definitions in this chapter apply throughout this article.

Sec. 2. "BAT" means the Bureau of Apprenticeship and Training within the United States Department of Labor.

Sec. 3. "Board" means the electrical industry licensing board established by IC 25-14.6-2-1.

Sec. 4. "Electrical contracting" means the business of:

- (1) designing;**
- (2) installing;**
- (3) erecting;**
- (4) repairing; or**
- (5) altering;**

electrical wires or conductors to be used for electrical light, heat, power, or signaling purposes. The term includes the installation or repair of ducts, raceways, or conduits for the reception or protection of wires or conductors and the installation or repair of electrical machinery, apparatus, or systems used for electrical light, heat, power, or signaling.

Sec. 5. "Electrical contractor" means a person that performs electrical contracting.

Sec. 6. "Licensee" means an individual who performs electrical contracting and is licensed under this article.

Sec. 7. "Licensing agency" refers to the Indiana professional licensing agency established by IC 25-1-6-3.

Sec. 8. "Person" means an individual, a corporation, a partnership, an association, or another legal entity.

Chapter 2. Electrical Industry Licensing Board

Sec. 1. The electrical industry licensing board is established.

Sec. 2. (a) The board consists of seven (7) members appointed by the governor as follows:

- (1) Two (2) individuals who are members of the Associated**

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Builders and Contractors.

(2) Two (2) individuals who are members of the Independent Electrical Contractors Association.

(3) Two (2) individuals who are members of the National Electrical Contractors Association.

(4) One (1) individual who is a member of the Building Industries Association.

(b) An individual appointed under subsection (a) must hold a license under this article:

(1) for at least five (5) years immediately preceding the appointment of the individual to the board; and

(2) during the individual's term on the board.

Sec. 3. (a) Each member of the board shall serve a term of four (4) years and until the member's successor is appointed and qualified.

(b) A member may not serve on the board for more than two (2) consecutive terms.

Sec. 4. (a) The governor may remove a member at any time for incompetency, neglect of duty, or unprofessional conduct.

(b) A vacancy in the membership of the board shall be filled by an individual appointed by the governor for the unexpired term.

Sec. 5. (a) Each year the board shall elect a member as chairperson and another member as vice chairperson.

(b) A member serving as chairperson or vice chairperson shall serve until the member's successor as chairperson or vice chairperson is elected.

(c) The chairperson shall preside at all meetings at which the chairperson is present. The vice chairperson shall preside at meetings in the absence of the chairperson and shall perform other duties as the chairperson directs.

(d) If the chairperson and vice chairperson are absent from a meeting of the board when a quorum exists, the members who are present may elect a presiding officer who shall serve as acting chairperson until the conclusion of the meeting or until the arrival of the chairperson or vice chairperson.

Sec. 6. The board shall meet at least four (4) times each calendar year upon the call of the chairperson or the written request of a majority of the members of the board.

Sec. 7. (a) Four (4) members of the board constitute a quorum.

(b) An affirmative vote of four (4) members of the board is necessary for the board to take official action.

Sec. 8. Each member of the board is entitled to the minimum

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1 salary per diem provided by IC 4-10-11-2.1(b). Each member of
 2 the board is entitled to reimbursement for travel expenses as
 3 provided in IC 4-13-1-4 and other expenses actually incurred in
 4 connection with the member's duties, as provided in the state travel
 5 policies and procedures established by the Indiana department of
 6 administration and approved by the budget agency.

7 **Sec. 9. The board shall do the following:**

- 8 (1) Administer, coordinate, and enforce this article.
- 9 (2) Adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 for the administration and
 10 enforcement of this article.
- 11 (3) Prescribe the requirements for and the form of licenses
 12 issued or renewed under this article.
- 13 (4) Issue, deny, renew, suspend, or revoke licenses under this
 14 article.
- 15 (5) In accordance with IC 25-1-7, investigate and prosecute
 16 complaints involving licensees or individuals the board has
 17 reason to believe should be licensees, including complaints
 18 concerning the failure to comply with this article or rules
 19 adopted under this article.
- 20 (6) Bring actions in the name of the state of Indiana in an
 21 appropriate circuit court to enforce compliance with this
 22 article or rules adopted under this article.
- 23 (7) Establish fees in accordance with IC 25-1-8.
- 24 (8) Inspect the records of a licensee in accordance with rules
 25 adopted by the board.
- 26 (9) Conduct or designate a board member or another
 27 representative to conduct public hearings on any matter for
 28 which a hearing is required under this article and to exercise
 29 all powers granted under IC 4-21.5.
- 30 (10) Maintain the board's records and files.

31 **Sec. 10. The licensing agency shall do the following:**

- 32 (1) Carry out the administrative functions of the board.
- 33 (2) Provide necessary personnel to carry out the duties of this
 34 article.

35 **Chapter 3. Licensing Requirements**

36 **Sec. 1. An individual may not perform or offer to perform**
 37 **electrical contracting without a license to perform electrical**
 38 **contracting issued by the board under this article.**

39 **Sec. 2. An application for a license to perform electrical**
 40 **contracting must be:**

- 41 (1) made to the board on forms provided by the board; and
- 42 (2) accompanied by an application fee in the amount set by

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the board.

Sec. 3. Except as provided in section 6 of this chapter, an individual who applies for a license to perform electrical contracting must:

(1) furnish evidence satisfactory to the board showing that the individual is at least twenty-one (21) years of age;

(2) provide evidence that the individual:

(A) has completed at least twelve thousand (12,000) hours of practical experience in installing equipment and associated wiring related to a license under this article;

(B) has:

(i) received an electrical journeyman certificate from a BAT approved electrical apprenticeship program; and

(ii) completed at least ten thousand (10,000) hours of practical experience installing equipment and associated wiring related to a license under this article;

(C) has:

(i) received an associate's degree from a state accredited program in a field related to electrical contracting; and

(ii) completed at least eight thousand (8,000) practical hours of experience installing equipment and associated wiring related to a license under this chapter; or

(D) has:

(i) received a four (4) year degree in electrical engineering; and

(ii) completed at least four thousand (4,000) hours of experience installing equipment and associated wiring related to a license under this article; and

(3) pay the fee established by the board.

Sec. 4. An individual applying for a license to perform electrical contracting must apply on a form prescribed and provided by the board.

Sec. 5. An individual who is denied a license under this article has the remedies prescribed under IC 4-21.5.

Sec. 6. The board may grant a license to an applicant who:

(1) submits satisfactory evidence to the board that the applicant has been licensed to perform electrical contracting in another state or country under qualifications that are substantially equivalent to the qualifications for licensure under this article; and

(2) pays the fee established by the board.

Chapter 4. Renewal of License

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1 **Sec. 1. A license issued by the board is valid for four (4) years**
 2 **from its date of issuance.**

3 **Sec. 2. An individual who applies to renew a license as an**
 4 **electrical contractor shall:**

- 5 (1) **file a renewal application with the board;**
- 6 (2) **pay a renewal fee established by the board; and**
- 7 (3) **meet other requirements established by the board.**

8 **Sec. 3. (a) Renewal notices must be sent in accordance with**
 9 **IC 25-1-2-6(c).**

10 **(b) The renewal fee must be paid in accordance with**
 11 **IC 25-1-8-2(d).**

12 **Sec. 4. If an individual desires to discontinue the practice of**
 13 **electrical contracting in Indiana, the individual may select inactive**
 14 **status on the renewal form. The board may grant inactive status to**
 15 **an individual if the individual:**

- 16 (1) **does not profess to the public to possess a license under**
 17 **this article;**
- 18 (2) **maintains continuing competency requirements as**
 19 **established by the board; and**
- 20 (3) **pays a fee established by the board.**

21 **Chapter 5. Discipline and Violations**

22 **Sec. 1. The board may take disciplinary action against a licensee**
 23 **for any of the following violations:**

- 24 (1) **Violating this article or rules adopted by the board under**
 25 **this article.**
- 26 (2) **Making a false or materially misleading representation in:**
 27 (A) **a license application form or renewal form; or**
 28 (B) **information provided to the board.**
- 29 (3) **Failing to pay fees or civil penalties required under this**
 30 **article.**
- 31 (4) **Communicating to the public false or misleading**
 32 **information concerning the license held.**

33 **Sec. 2. The procedures set forth in IC 4-21.5 govern the board's**
 34 **conduct of disciplinary hearings.**

35 **Sec. 3. The board may summarily suspend a license for up to**
 36 **ninety (90) days before a final adjudication or during an appeal of**
 37 **the board's determination if the board finds that the licensee**
 38 **represents a clear and immediate danger to the public's health,**
 39 **safety, or property if the licensee is allowed to practice electrical**
 40 **contracting. The summary suspension may be renewed, upon a**
 41 **hearing before the board, for up to ninety (90) days.**

42 **Sec. 4. (a) If the board determines that an individual not**

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1 licensed under this article is engaged in or believed to be engaged
 2 in activities for which a license is required under this article, the
 3 board may issue an order to the individual requiring the individual
 4 to show cause why the individual should not be ordered to cease
 5 and desist from the activities. The show cause order must set forth
 6 a date, time, and place for a hearing at which the affected
 7 individual may appear and show cause as to why the individual
 8 should not be subject to licensing under this article.

9 (b) If the board, after a hearing, determines that the activities
 10 in which the individual is engaged are subject to licensing under
 11 this article, the board may issue a cease and desist order that
 12 describes the individual and activities that are the subjects of the
 13 order.

14 (c) A cease and desist order issued under this section is
 15 enforceable in the circuit or superior courts.

16 **Sec. 5. An individual who:**

- 17 (1) performs or offers to perform electrical contracting
- 18 without being licensed or without being exempt from licensing
- 19 under Indiana law;
- 20 (2) presents as the individual's own the license of another;
- 21 (3) intentionally gives false or materially misleading
- 22 information of any kind to the board or to a board member in
- 23 connection with licensing matters;
- 24 (4) impersonates a licensee;
- 25 (5) uses an expired, suspended, or revoked license; or
- 26 (6) otherwise violates this article;

27 commits a Class B misdemeanor.

28 **Sec. 6. An individual who applies for and is denied a license or**
 29 **a licensee who is aggrieved by an order or a determination of the**
 30 **board is entitled to a judicial review under IC 4-21.5.**

31 **Sec. 7. The attorney general shall act as the legal adviser for the**
 32 **board and provide any legal assistance necessary to carry out this**
 33 **article.**

34 **Chapter 6. Electrical Industry Licensing Board Fund**

35 **Sec. 1. The electrical industry licensing board fund is established**
 36 **to provide funds to regulate and license electrical contractors**
 37 **under this article.**

38 **Sec. 2. The expenses of administering the fund shall be paid**
 39 **from money in the fund. The fund consists of license fees and civil**
 40 **penalties collected under this article.**

41 **Sec. 3. The treasurer of the state shall invest the money in the**
 42 **fund not currently needed to meet the obligations of the fund in the**

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1 same manner as other public money may be invested.

2 **Sec. 4. Money in the fund at the end of a state fiscal year does**
3 **not revert to the state general fund.**

4 **Sec. 5. Money in the fund is continually appropriated for use by**
5 **the board to regulate and license electrical contractors under this**
6 **article.**

7 **SECTION 8. [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2005] (a) As used in this**
8 **SECTION, "board" means the electrical industry licensing board**
9 **established by IC 25-14.6-2-1, as added by this act.**

10 **(b) The governor shall make the initial appointments to the**
11 **board not later than January 1, 2006. In making an initial**
12 **appointment, the governor shall indicate the length of the term for**
13 **which the individual is appointed.**

14 **(c) The initial terms of office for the seven (7) individuals**
15 **appointed to the board by the governor are as follows:**

16 **(1) One (1) member for a term of four (4) years.**

17 **(2) Two (2) members for a term of three (3) years.**

18 **(3) Two (2) members for a term of two (2) years.**

19 **(4) Two (2) members for a term of one (1) year.**

20 **(d) The initial term begins January 1, 2006.**

21 **(e) An individual who does not meet the requirements of**
22 **IC 25-14.6-2-2(b), as added by this act, may be appointed to the**
23 **board under IC 25-14.6-2-2(a), as added by this act, if the**
24 **individual:**

25 **(1) meets the requirements under IC 25-14.6-3-3(1) and**
26 **IC 25-14.6-3-3(2), as added by this act;**

27 **(2) has been actively engaged in electrical contracting for at**
28 **least five (5) years immediately before the individual's**
29 **appointment; and**

30 **(3) obtains a license under IC 25-14.6-3, as added by this act,**
31 **not later than January 1, 2007.**

32 **(f) A board member appointed under subsection (e) who does**
33 **not obtain the requisite license under IC 25-14.6-3, as added by this**
34 **act, on or before January 1, 2007, shall be considered to have**
35 **resigned from the board on that date, and the governor shall fill**
36 **the vacancy under IC 25-14.6-2-4(b), as added by this act.**

37 **(g) Not later than July 1, 2006, the board shall adopt rules under**
38 **IC 4-22-2 to carry out this act.**

39 **(h) This SECTION expires July 1, 2008.**

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